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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT:

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Intelligence Coverage of Uganda

Recent actions by Idi Amin again have called our attention to the vulnerability of the 240 Americans resident in Uganda and the possibility of a confrontation provoked by some Ugandan action against them. An Interagency Committee has been established to develop contingency plans and strategies.

One of the problems this Committee will face is the paucity of intelligence on events in Uganda and Amin's intentions. You will recall that we discussed this in our meeting at Langley last month. In view of developments in Uganda and the need to develop contingency plans based on accurate information, the Intelligence Community should develop and implement on a priority basis a program for improving the quality and quantity of information collected inside Uganda. You should forward as soon as possible to the NSC your plan to remedy this gap in our intelligence coverage so that we can inform the President of diplomatic and intelligence steps under way to prepare us better to meet any contingency in Uganda.

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NSC review(s) completed.

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